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Dear Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action dated March 22, 2006, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow on page 4 of this paper.

A Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, wherein all requisite fees are provided, accompanies this paper.